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# **ISSUE NUMBER 113!**

Thanks for all the great articles... Keep them coming....I need more for issue No. 114...

Happy Thanksgiving...

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# **NEXT MEETING:**

Saturday 17 November 2007 - 11 AM
Whitman Shows
Baltimore Convention Center

Saturday 26 January 2008 - 12 noon — 3 PM
SWAP MEET
United Methodist Church
Charles St. & Northern Parkway
Baltimore, Maryland

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#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Let me start my letter by thanking the Maryland State Numismatic Association (MSNA). As you are aware, MSNA has a yearly coin raffle to raise funds to support their annual coin show, which was in Ocean City, Maryland this year. As usual, MSNA sends all their member clubs 30 raffle tickets to sell. Most years Maryland TAMS buys the tickets and uses them as door prizes or the like at our regular meetings. This year, we changed a bit and just bought them outright at a cost of \$20.00. On Sunday 7 October at Ocean City, the raffle winning tickets were pulled from the barrel. Guess what - - The Maryland Token and Medal Society had the first place winning ticket. We are now the proud owners of a quarter ounce American Gold Eagle coin. As you know, the price of gold is high and continuing to rise. GREAT NEWS!! But the good news does not stop there. MSNA procedure says that the seller of the first place winning ticket also gets a gold coin. This helps provide an incentive for folks to sell tickets. FYI - - one of our members, Karl Keller, has had this honor twice. Well!! ---- in this case the Maryland Token and Medal Society was the seller of the winning ticket too. For this honor we were to get a tenth ounce American Gold Eagle coin. Since the coin was yet to be purchased by MSNA, we opted instead for the money which is now in our treasury. MD TAMS both had the winning ticket and sold the winning ticket - - this translated into double gold for us. It is almost like winning two gold medals in the Olympics. At the next Maryland Token and Medal Society meeting we will decide what to do with our first prize quarter ounce American Gold Eagle coin. Think about it, as we will discuss during the business portion of our meeting. By the way, we did not win the second, third or fourth place prizes.

As I step down from my role in the Baltimore Area Numismatic Coalition (BANC) as Director/Bourse Chairman after ten plus years, I want to say it has been a real pleasure to support the three local clubs - - MD TAMS is one of the three. BANC means a lot to all three clubs and we have been very successful in putting a considerable amount of money in the three treasuries. I want to again publicly thank Joe Burford for taking over the BANC helm. Many thanks to all those that helped me. I really appreciate your support. I will continue to support Joe and request that all of you do your best to give Joe the utmost support. It is our club(s) that reaps the benefits. THANKS Joe!

As a reminder, get ready for the Maryland Token and Medal Society Annual Swap Meet. Mark your calendars for Saturday, 26 January 2008 at the Grace United Methodist Church on Charles St. and Northern Parkway. The Swap Meet starts at noon and runs until 3 PM.

Edward L. Craig
President, Maryland Token and Medal Society

Minutes of today's MD TAMS meeting (our annual) held in Room 301 of the Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, MD

- I-Meeting called to order by President Craig at 11:00am with 20 members (no guests) in attendance (attendance sheet attached).
- II-Minutes of previous meeting (03-24-07) read by Secretary Boswell (said minutes to stand as read).
- III-Treasurer's Report:Read by Treasurer Ruby (copy attached). Said report to stand unless/until audited.

# **IV-Committees:**

- a-Journal--In the absence of our editor (W. Mumford), President Craig spoke about the need of more articles
- b-Elongated Quarters--M. Hajek reminded everyone that there are only two years left in this "program"
- c-Book--A-President Craig and R. Sears resigned from this Committee (M. Hajek had previously resigned from it) which left two members (J. Boswell & W. Stone) on it.
- Note: A "straw poll" was taken on whether to accept a TAMS offer--if they make one--to publish a a new MD token book for us (no formal motion or vote taken).
  - B-A formal motion by M. Hajek, seconded by J. Hammond that we accept if TAMS makes an offer to publish, etc. a new MD token book. Discussion. Second & motion withdrawn.
  - C-A new motion by M. Hajek, seconded by J. Hammond that we "go to" TAMS about a new MD token book. Discussion. Motion passed with 17 yeas & 1 abstention (two members had left the meeting).
- d-Program-President Craig asked for a volunteer to chair this Committee but no one volunteered. e-Membership-R. Ruby said we currently have twenty three members who have not paid their dues for the current year.

### V-Old Business:

- a-Elections--Motion by W. Ayers, 2nd by K. Keller that E. Craig be re-elected President, W. Stone be elected Vice President, J. Boswell be re-elected Secretary, R. Ruby be re-elected Treasurer and B. Bodt & J. Burford be re-elected as Directors. Motion passed unanimously.
- Note:Our immediate past VP (M. Hajek) was given a substained round of applause for his many years of service to MD TAMS.

#### VI-New Business:

- a-E. Craig-This year's Literary Bucks were awarded to:B. Bodt, J. Boswell, E. Craig, M. Hajek & J. Sears
- b-E. Craig-This year's A.V. Taylor Literary Awards went to:1st Place-J. Sears for her article on Bay Shore Park (she received aframed certificate, five Quarter Elongated Set, NSA Medal & raffle tickets for this year's MSNA Show & Convention), the Runner-Up was B.Bodt (he received a framed certificate, five Quarter Elongated Set & raffle tickets).

Note: Both of the articles in question appeared in Issue #107 of our Journal.

- c-Membership Award (for signing up the most new members since last year): Given to J. Boswell & E. Craig (both had signed up two new members since last year).
- d-Each member in attendance received this year's "give aways" which were: A MD TAMS key ring, a MD TAMS encased mirror, elongateds & raffle ticket.

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# Minutes of today's MD TAMS meeting (cont.):

## VI-New Business:

- f-Motion by W. Lenz, 2nd by R. Sears that we vote for: J. Boling, J. Esbach, C. Krause & C. Mishler as members of the ANA Board. Motion passed.
- g-Motion by B. Dotzon, 2nd by W. Lenz that we vote for W. Wolka as amember of the ANA Board (motion passed).
- h-Motion by T. Hess, 2nd by R. Watson that we vote for W. Ostremiki as a member of the ANA Board. Motion passed.

Note:Our Secretary sent in the ballots as per the above motions.

#### VII-Announcements:

- a-E. Craig-Our next meeting will be held on October 7, 2007 at the MSNA Show & Convention in Ocean City, MD
- b-M. Hajek-Dessert (fudge) that his wife (also a MD TAMS member) had made for today's meeting.
- c-B. Dotzon-He had some medals in Presidential's Auction
- d-R. Watson-His research indicated that the Liepe tokens (listed in the MD Merchant Tokens book as being from Frederick, MD) were from NJ
- e-R. Ruby donated the latest Hampstead medal to our "Cabinet"

### VIII-Show & Tell:None

- IX-Break taken so members could "stretch their legs" & view the lots in today's Auction.
- X-Auction (Auctioneer was R. Sears (who was assisted by E. Craig) and the tabulators were
  - J. Boswell & R. Ruby)) which resulted in \$30 in commission being added to our treasury)

Respectfully Submitted,

James M. Boswell, Secretary MD TAMS

# The Merchant Submarine Deutschland Came to Baltimore- 1916

# **Russ Sears**

North German Lloyd ships brought various types of cargo to America including many immigrants. Travel packages were sold combining the trip from Bremen in the north of Germany to Locust Point in Baltimore and then west on the B & O Railroad. Many immigrants paid passage only to Baltimore and settled here.

In 1915, German shipping was greatly reduced as a result of the war. Blockades, primarily by the English, hindered merchant shipping. The idea of a submarine for transportation of goods was discussed and adopted. Built in Kiel, Germany, the U-Deutschland (U-200) was launched on March 28, 1916. Following sea: trials, she was commissioned in May 1916. While the ship was under the auspices of the German Navy, there was a close relationship with the North German Lloyd (Nord Deutscher Lloyd).

History about the Deutschland provides conflicting information. The weight is reported as 1,503 tons and also as 2,000 tons. Dates for launching and trials for being sea worthy also vary. The cargo arriving in Baltimore was reported to be 163 tons of chemical dyes. A cargo of 789 tons of nickel, copper and zinc were reported as being on board for her return to Germany.

German Captain Paul Koenig commanded North German Lloyd steam ships for many years. While he did not have experience commanding a submarine, he was selected to be the Captain for this new mode of shipping goods. His crew consisted of experienced submariners.

The Deutschland arrived in Baltimore and was visited by the Quarantine Station physician before proceeding to Locust Point where the submarine stayed for weeks. Captain Koenig and his crew were treated like visiting dignitaries. Many Baltimoreans were of German origin. The German-Americans honored the crew with a German-American Festival at Cannstadter Park in West Baltimore. The Mayor hosted an official dinner for the visitors.

Although transport ships were not supposed to be attacked, no

provisions were made for cargo submarines, so the submarine was subject to being sunk by enemy ships. After its second trip to America, what had been an unarmed submarine became a warsubmarine and was re-commissioned as the U-155. She sunk over 100,000 tons of ships before being taken to England as a prize of war in 1918. In 1921, she as sold for scrap.

An interesting account with pictures of the trip of the Deutschland may be found in the book, Voyage of the Deutschland by Captain Paul Koenig, Copyright, 1915, Hearst's International Library Co., Inc. The book is available in both English and German.





The iron cross souvenir, 2 7/8" by 2 7/8", was made by Baltimore iron maker, Krug. There is a 1 1/8" embossed brass insert in the center which portrays Captain Koenig on one side and the cruising Deutschland on the other. This was designed by famous Baltimore artist Hans Schuler.

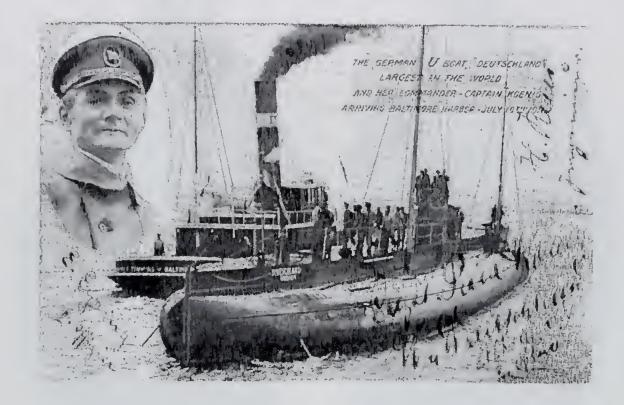


Other souvenirs of the visit of the Deutschland to Baltimore are oval iron illustrations of the submarine. Each is "Made from the Deutschland ballast". They are both about 1" across and about 1 5/8" high excluding the loop. Sales of these were "For the benefit of the prisoners of war in Siberia".



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Several postcards were issued for the visit of the Deutschland. The one pictured below is one of them. While it is not a rare postcard design, it is very rare and desirable because the original owner had the officers of the Deutschland sign it.



# When ESSO Became EXXON

BY: W. WALLACE STONE R-47

It is always fun to discover a new Maryland token or an unlisted piece when wandering up and down the aisles of a large National coin convention or a small local show promoted by the coin club in your town. It was just such a small show recently that I was fortunate enough to obtain the following Maryland item.

The token is brass, plane edge, with dentils on both obverse and reverse just inside the rim, holed as made and measures 29 mm. The obverse contains six line as follows: "YATES"/ HILLTOP ESSO/ FO. 7-8020 / REISTERSTOWN RD./ & ROGERS AVE. / BALTO. 15, MD./ A small star is located directly under the period separating the O in Baltimore and the numeral 15. The reverse contains a total of five lines that reads as follows; IF FOUND/ DROP IN MAIL BOX / a blank space for the inclusion of a code numeral/ RETURN POSTAGE/ GUARANTEED/ A small star located directly below AN in guaranteed. The token was intended as a key chit once the number code had been affixed on the reverse and the customers name and address was recorded with the gas station office. If lost and the finder mailed the keys back to the station, they in turn could contact the owner and re-unite them with their lost keys. A nice service.

Trying to determine the year or years the token may have been in use has led to three paths' to follow. They being the Zip code, the brand name of ESSO and the Baltimore city directories. The Zip code as we know it today was first initiated in July of 1963. Prior to that date Baltimore and other large cities used a single or double digit Zone indicator number. The ESSO trade name for gas stations was changed in 1972 to EXXON in the United States. In Europe and England the name ESSO is still in wide spread use. The 1961 edition of the Baltimore City Directory lists the Hilltop Esso service station at the address on the token. The directory also indicated the owner of the station was Mr. Joseph Settler, with a home address of 6004 Woodcrest Avenue, Baltimore, Md. Just a short commute from home to work.

In conclusion it can be said that the gas station was in business in the city of Baltimore in 1961. City directories after the year 1961 have not been available at the Maryland Hall of Records, consequently checking to see if the station remained in business in the ensuing years has not been easy.





# A Short History of the Chesapeake Beach Railroad Co.

By: W. Wallace Stone

The development and founding of Chesapeake Beach, in northern Calvert County began in the year 1891, surprisingly to most, by a group of businessmen from Denver Colorado. Several years later, in 1894, the State of Maryland granted a charter to the Washington and Chesapeake Beach Railway Company to allow a rail route from the Nations' Capital to the newly incorporated town of Chesapeake Beach, Md. In 1896 the Company began work on the rail line and shore side facilities and four years later on June 9, 1900 the resort held it's grand opening.

Visitors wishing overnight accommodations could stay at the large and luxurious Belvedere Hotel, which was completed about 1900 and overlooked the newly constructed boardwalk and of course the Chesapeake Bay. The hotel remained in business until March 30, 1923 at which time it was destroyed by a fire. The boardwalk boasted a number of attractions beginning with a bandstand, games of chance a merry-go - round, casino, theatres and many food booths as well as restaurants. In it's first year a large roller coaster called the "The Great Derby" was built over the boardwalk and was to operate until the 1920's.

Prior to it's grand opening, the railway company was sold by the Denver group and the name was shortened to the "Chesapeake Beach Railway Co." The 28 mile route from Washington to Chesapeake Beach brought mostly day trip families to the bayside attractions. The railway remained in business until 1935 at which time bankruptcy forced the railway company to close down it operation. The park aspect of the development, in 1930 was changed to Seaside Park and at this time all rides and boardwalk concession's were moved to land. This remained for over a ten year period until after World War 11, the park management was again changed and the name again was to be changed to Chesapeake Beach Amusement Park. This last venture lasted until it's final closing in 1972.

Today one of the remaining ties to it's past is the small railway office and ticket room, now a museum open to the public free of charge. Housed within the small building are old photo's, advertisements, mementos, old postcards and other relics from the boardwalk. A small but well documented venture. One of the few items sold by the museum is a reproduction of the 1900 Chesapeake Beach Railway Company hat emblem which would have been worn by the conductors and baggage handlers.

If one ventures into Chesapeake Beach today two main features greet the visitor, a large marina, home to a large fleet of charter fishing boats and a growing number of new town houses and condominiums all with close proximity to the beach front. Also, occupying a prime waterfront location is the old and well established Rod and Reel

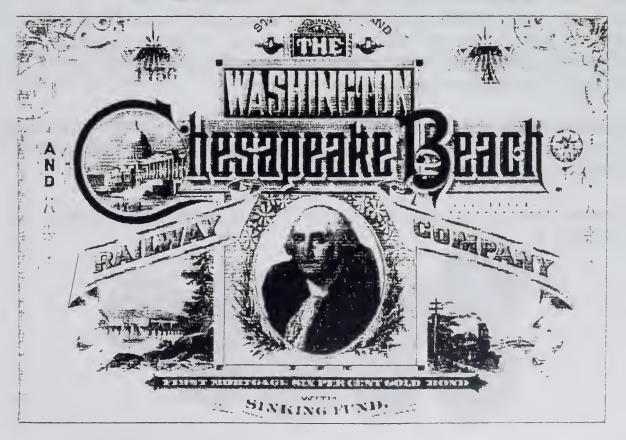
Restaurant. Several other smaller eating establishments are within easy walking distance from the marina or beachfront. One of the main roads leading into Chesapeake Beach was constructed on the foundation of the old railway bed sometime after 1935.

. Shown directly to right is the Wooden Nickel from The Rod N Reel restaurant. Below to left, an enlargment of the 25mm hat emblem in brilliant red and gold. Ticket stub from the carousel or coaster ride from the Seaside Park Inc. era. Below the Washington and Chesapeake Beach Railway Company bond of 1891 good for 100 shares.









# IMPORTANCE OF TOKEN SHAPES

By: Bernie Bodt R - 282

A recent find of fiber tokens, which were totally encrusted with some unknown substance, illustrates the importance of the shape to the users. These tokens were so covered that the initials and denominations were illegible. The two sizes were distinguishable by the shape, color and diameter. They were either round, black, 19mm, or octagonal, red, 23mm. Upon closer examination the unknown substance was discovered to be sugar corn residue. There were whole kernels, hulls, germ, and a sticky (when moistened) residue.



Experiments were conducted in an attempt to remove this residue by soaking in plain water. With these being fiber tokes, it was quickly learned that too long of a period in water tended to delaminate the tokens. Therefore, a soak of 1 to 2 minutes was found to be sufficient to soften the residue and with a soft toothbrush the material was removed.

What was discovered under the residue were the initials C. C. P., which stand for Clarence Crane Pusey. Mr. Pusey's tokens were covered in an article in MDTAMS Journal in the spring of 2005.

The round black tokens carry the number 1 and the octagonal red tokens carry

the number 4.



As reported in the Spring 2005 article Mr. Pusey canned at Drawbridge, MD in Dorchester County. Since then a canning connection to Harford County has been discovered. Mr. Pusey canned in partnership with his brother-in-law, John M. Michael in Aberdeen. The encrusted tokens came from this operation.

The author has not located a can label from the Dorchester County operation, however, there is one from the John M. Michael Company with the brand name of M & P. A Michael's family member informed me that the initials stood for Michael & Pusey (J. M. Michael and C. C. Pusey were brothers-in-law).



Now back to the importance of the shape. One can imagine the users of the tokens in a production operation did not have time to clean their tokens to determine the values, therefore, the importance of the shape.

Unlike fiber tokens, metal tokens could have been soaked to clean then without damage to the token.

Also this illustrates the reason for the absence of paper tickets in the hot, wet, and sticky corn canning operations of Harford County.

# Another Maryland Farm Sold to Developers

By: W. Wallace Stone

The Annapolis daily newspaper, the CAPITAL first published in 1727 and still going strong today recently printed a first page story relating to the pending sale of a small farm situated within two miles of the BWI airport in Anne Arundel County. This in itself is not out of the ordinary in today's ever present urban sprawl that one can find in newspaper stories almost every week. Of particular interest however was the fact that this 50 acre farm, presently owned by Mr. Ridgely Boyd, had in past years been part of the Shipley family farm.

The Shipley's owned a larger farm tract in this part of Anne Arundel County named "Harmans" dating back to at least 1865. This region is located south of the BWI- Airport approximately two miles and is today a residential neighborhood. With the proposed sale of the farm an additional 200 single family homes will be added to the tax roles.

A check with the Anne Arundel County Land Office Records Department followed the sale of this farm land from it's present owners, Ridgely Boyer and John Boyer, back over 100 years of the Shipley family ownership and sibling divisions.

Irvin T. Shipley Charles W. Shipley	
Marvin R. Shipleysold to	Ridgley Boyer1944
Eva C. Shipleysold to	Irvin T. Shipley Charles W. Shipley Marvin R. Shipley1911
Mary Warfield	
George Warfieldsold to	Larkin R. Shipley1888
William Raysold to	George E. Shipley Larkin R. Shipley1876

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Nelson Phelps.....sold to Columbus Shipley Larkin R. Shipley......1865

Over the past years the Shipley family has owned this farm there have been a number of the Anne Arundel County pickers tokens that have been attributed and documented as being used on the farm. Pictured below are a few samples.

# W. Elbridge Shipley



John William Shipley



Adam Alexander Shipley



Larkin Rodolphus Shipley





Larkin Rodolphus"Dol"Shipley and wife Isabel. (Courtesy of Isabel Shipley Cunningham).

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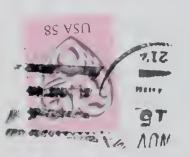
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